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Examiner: Maurina T. Rachuba

Filed: January 17, 2002

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METHOD FOR POLISHING COPPER ON A WORKPIECE SURFACE

APPLICATION FOR PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.705(b)

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Sir:

This is an application to request correction of the Patent Term Adjustment included in the Notice of Allowance issued to Applicant on February 10, 2005. In accordance with the requirements set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.705, this Application is accompanied by the fee set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.18(e) and a statement of the facts involved.

STATEMENT OF THE FACTS

The Patent Term Adjustment included in the Notice of Allowance grants the Applicants a 0 day extension. However, upon review of the relevant dates, Applicants believe that the granted extension is incorrect and should be at least 243 days. Accordingly, Applicants request reconsideration of the patent term adjustment based on the following showing of due care.

I. CORRECT PATENT TERM ADJUSTMENT

Applicants request a reinstatement of at least a portion of the patent term adjustment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.702(a)(1) and (a)(2). Specifically, the USPTO failed to mail an action under 35 U.S.C. 132, or a notice of allowance under 35 U.S.C. 151 within fourteen months after the date on which the application was filed under 35 U.S.C. 111(a) and delayed mailing such action by fifty-six (56) days. Additionally, the USPTO failed to mail either an action under 35 U.S.C. § 132 or a notice of allowance under 35 U.S.C. § 151 within four months after the date of a reply by Applicant and delayed mailing such an action by two hundred eighteen (218) days. As discussed in more detail below, any delay due to the Applicants would not exceed thirty-one (31) days. Accordingly, the Applicants are entitled to a patent term extension of at least two hundred forty-three (243) days.

II. RELEVANT DATES AS SPECIFIED IN 1.703 (a) through (e)

Applicants believe that the dates as specified under § 1.703(a)(1) and (a)(2) are relevant. Applicants filed the patent application on January 17, 2002. A first Office Action (a restriction requirement) was issued on May 12, 2003, which is more than fourteen months after the filing date of the application. Thus, the number of days in the period beginning on the day after the date that is fourteen months after the date on which the application was filed is fifty-six (56) days.

Applicants filed a timely response to the first Office Action on June 12, 2003. However, the USPTO allegedly did not receive the response, which prompted an issuance of a Notice of Abandonment on December 8, 2003. On December 30, 2003, Applicants petitioned to the revive the application and provided evidence that the response to the first Office Action was in fact filed on June 12, 2003. See Attachment A. On March 2, 2004, the USPTO granted the Applicants'

petition and acknowledged that the response to the first Office Action had been filed on June 12, 2003. See Attachment B. Subsequently, a non-final office action was mailed on May 17, 2004, which is more than four months after the date of the response. Thus, the number of days in the period beginning on the day after the date that is four months after the date a reply under § 1.111 was filed (June 12, 2003) and ending on the date of mailing an action under 35 U.S.C. § 132 or a notice of allowance under 35 U.S.C. § 151 (May 17, 2004) is two hundred eighteen (218) days.

III. WHETHER THE PATENT IS SUBJECT TO A TERMINAL DISCLAIMER

The subject patent is not subject to a terminal disclaimer.

IV. CIRCUMSTANCES UNDER § 1.704

Applicants timely filed each required response; however, in one instance, a delay attributed to the Applicant may exist under section 1.704(b) which states that "any period of time in excess of three months that are taken to reply to any notice or action by the Office making any rejection, objection, argument, or other request, measuring such three-month period from the date the notice or action was mailed or given to the applicant" will reduce the period of adjustment set forth in § 1.703 "by the number of days, if any, beginning on the day after the date that is three months after the date of mailing or transmission of the Office communication notifying the applicant of the rejection, objection, argument, or other request and ending on the date the reply was filed." After the Office Action was issued on May 17, 2004, the Applicants replied to the Office Action on September 17, 2004. Therefore, the Applicants may have delayed filing by thirty-one (31) days outside of the three months allotted for reply under § 1.704(b).

CONCLUSION

Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and correction of the Patent Term Adjustment to at least two hundred forty-three (243) days. Should the Examiner

have any questions or wish to discuss the foregoing response and amendment, Applicant requests that the Examiner contact the undersigned at (480) 385-5060.

If for some reason Applicants have not requested a sufficient extension and/or have not paid a sufficient fee for this Application, please consider this as an authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2091 for any fee which may be due.

Respectfully submitted,

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I. ELECTION OF A SINGLE DISCLOSED SPECIES

Applicants hereby elect to prosecute the claims of Species 2, for prosecution on the merits. Examiner has indicated that independent claim 1 is considered generic.

II. LISTING OF CLAIMS READABLE UPON THE ELECTED SPECIES

It is respectfully submitted that independent claim 1 and dependent claims 2-5 and 8-19 which depend, either directly or indirectly, from independent claim 1 are readable upon elected Species 2. Furthermore, it is respectfully submitted that independent claim 28 and dependent claims 29-37 which depend, either directly or indirectly from independent claim 28 are readable upon elected Species 2. Therefore, please withdraw claims 6, 7, 20-27, and 38-46 from consideration.

III. CONCLUSION

This reply is believed to be fully responsive to the election requirement mailed on May 12, 2003. Should the Examiner have any questions or wish to further discuss the above-identified application, Applicants request that the Examiner contact the undersigned at (480) 385-5060.

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In re Application of Saket Chadda et al Application No. 10/052,010 Filed: January 1, 2003 Attorney Docket No. SFI 1017

DECISION ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition filed by facsimile transmission on December 30, 2003 by which petitioners request withdrawal of the examiner's holding that this application stands abandoned for failure to file a reply to the Office letter dated May 2003. The petition is being treated as a petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment considered pursuant 37 CFR 1.181 rather than as a petition to revive, and no fee is required.

The petition is granted.

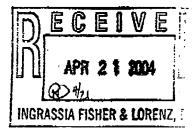
Petitioner alleges that this application is not abandoned because a timely reply to the Office letter in question was in fact filed on June 12, 2003. Petitioner has supported this allegation by submitting a copy of the reply, which had affixed thereto a 37 CFR 1.8(a) certificate of transmission dated June 12, 2003. Based upon this showing, it is clear that this application is not abandoned. See 37 CFR 1.8(b).

Accordingly, the Notice of Abandonment is hereby vacated, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn, and the application is restored to pending status. The application will be forwarded to the examiner for action on the reply filed on July 12, 2003.

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